

Pierson Place Historic District

Neighbors Creating A Better Neighborhood

6-12-14

Board Meeting **Minutes**

June 10, 2014 6:30 pm
Robert Donat's House
403 W. Coolidge St.

Board Members:

- * Charles Jones, Chair
Warren Bechhoefer
Beverley Bodioga
- * Robert Donat
- * Henry Harding
- * Frank Kraatz
Bogi Lateiner
- * Chris Marks
Andy Mezulis
- * Ray Muench
Hilary Perera
Pam Perry
- * Oksane Pierce
Roland Regeon
Gary Shiffman
- * Romy Watkin

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Secretary - Henry Harding
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Grants - Beverley Bodioga
Events - Vacant
Newsletter - Romy Watkin
Preservation - Andy Mezulis
Traffic - Chris Marks
Website - Ray Muench
Robert Donat
Zoning - Gary Shiffman

* in attendance. Meeting started at 6:32 pm

Discussion Topics:

1. Crime update, block watch meetings. Discussed transients on canal bank, sleeping in bushes and shopping carts, no other crime reported.
2. Precinct redistricting. Discussed the new precinct boundaries, will affect relationships with some Community Action Officers, some neighborhoods will be split in two precincts, police should use natural borders, i.e. freeways, etc., our precinct is Desert Horizon, southern border is Campbell.
3. Stolen mail on Pierson. One time event in 100 block of Pierson, looked like it might be kids playing pranks, no other reports of this.
4. Homeless on canal bank Clean up canal bank, need joint meeting with residents adjacent to canal, Lisa Hubbard and Community Action Officer, have meeting at Bill Sandweg's house (adjacent to canal), Lisa can get chain gang to clean up trash on canal bank soon, advise residents to cut the oleanders (on their property) that create hiding places on the bank.
5. Street lights fixed. One light is still going on and off erratically, Lisa Hubbard agreed to look into it.

Continued.

Note: Agenda items may change or not be taken in this order. Comments may be limited due to time constraints, to ensure all viewpoints are heard.

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6. Treasurer's Report. Started with \$3,361.30, add +55.00 from meeting raffle, subtract -234.33 for poop bag holders, and -811.54 for "14 Trees in 2014", and -48.16 for newsletter printing for message boards, = new balance of 2,322.27.

7. Changing Hands is open. Charley to inquire about having general meetings here.

8. Geocache is done, update. This is completely installed and done, some board members have seen searchers at the site.

9. Website and Nextdoor update. Website is getting more hits, Nextdoor is working great for residents, Robert's changes are linking both sites together more.

10. Add trees or ? at 3rd Ave & Canal. Charley to talk to City about this, maybe do something in conjunction with Canalscape Project.

11. 1st Ave & Elm/Highland, Davis parking. Check with Mark Davis about ingress/egress on 1st Ave. The public parking section is one-way only, enter from Highland, and exit onto 1st Ave.

12. Central & Highland, apartments construction starting. The construction trucks are using Central Ave as requested, no problem with cutting thru the neighborhood.

13. Traffic update, new study. To be started later this year, will have counters at all entrances to the neighborhood, i.e. Central, Camelback and 7th Ave.

14. Develop a Logo. Elements and concepts were discussed, Chris is a graphic artist and volunteered to make a sketch and email it to board members for review and comment.

15. Historic Preservation, application to the Federal Register. Still in the works, no new information, s/be completed this summer, and approved by end of the year.

Additional Items:

1. Lisa Hubbard presented Romy with the Silver Medal award "For Excellence in Neighborhood Newsletters" by Neighborhoods USA. Members expressed their thanks to Romy for working so hard on the newsletter.

2. Ray mentioned that pigeons are pooping on the tops of the dog poop bag holders, we need to find a solution for this.

3. Charley submitted a receipt for reimbursement, \$4.87 for copies at the last meeting, unanimously approved, Henry to forward it to Pam.

4. We need to put PiersonPlace.com on the message boards, in a permanent way, with an appropriate message that motivates people to visit the site. Maybe add Nextdoor address also.

5. We had a request from school board candidate Brian Davidson, to attend our general meeting and address residents, board voted unanimously to allow candidates to attend the "Meet & Greet" and speak with residents one-on-one only, with no addressing of the group during the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm.